THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC
ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR IN ADVANCE
WHITEHEAD & MITCHELL, PUBS.
BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, MARCH 31.

It is moved and seconded that the Osler joke be dropped.

We note that the standard of spring poetry this season is quite as high as usual.

The premier of Italy being ill, the rest of the cabinet has resigned. Sort of a sympathetic strike.

Sir Hiram Maxim claims to have solved the flying machine problem. All that he has to do now is to fly.

Gaynor and Greene, who wept when bail was refused in their cases, have a few more weeps coming to them.

Having taken a good look at her, Andrew Carnegie is positive that Mrs. Chadwick is no long-lost daughter of his.

A Connecticut woman killed herself because the weather was bad. She probably desired to visit a warmer clime.

To appreciate rhinoceros steak presumably one should have cultivated a taste for railway restaurant spring chicken.

To the average person the furious dispute as to the correctness of "golf," "gowf," or "goff" sounds a good deal like "guff."

Although the strike of the house servants in Warsaw has collapsed, they may get even by breaking some extra dishes.

Mrs. Stanford leaves $3,000,000 to her relatives and $20,000 to the servants. Problem: Which will try to break the will?

Sig. Tittoni has declined to form a new Italian cabinet. Sig. Tittoni may be a strong man, but if he is, his name belies him.

A Pennsylvania man says that the world will last only three years more. But don't you try to run up any board bills on that prediction.

Why do bachelors marry butterflies? asks the New York Herald. Perhaps it is because the butterflies have a habit of alighting on them.

A New York man who recently got married says he and his wife can't live on $350,000 a year. They ought to hire a business manager.

Bishop McFaul of New Jersey says society is soaked in alcohol. Perhaps society feels the need of doing something to keep itself from spoiling.

A New York man proposes to sue a drug clerk for taking a new "jag." The victim has not decided whether to charge petit or grand larceny.

It has been shown in court that Mrs. Chadwick once deposited money in a bank. She must have had reason to suspect that there were burglars around.

The line fence continues to be a deadly thing. Evidently the commandment "Love thy neighbor as thyself" will never be taken as seriously as it should be.

That fellow who made his wife and family the munificent allowance of fifty cents a week seems to be a rare specimen of an organism operating without a heart.

A London daily paper has opened a joke department. It is accommodating enough to explain that the paragraphs contained in the department are all humorous.

It is suggested that the German custom of using fruit trees for shade trees along the public highways should be adopted over here. The boys would like it.

A Baltimore policeman threw a jiu jitsu professor without half trying. And, by the way, it was the same professor who thought he could "subdue" Col. Jim Jeffries.

If you will look over your collection of checks signed by Andrew Carnegie you will discover that the Carnegie-Chadwick check has the appearance of being a clumsy forgery.

Russell Sage's secretary has gone into bankruptcy with liabilities of $77,105 and assets amounting to $100. It is evident that he has had some valuable lessons in high finance.

It is claimed by a woman who has tried it that a man can be fed for nine cents a day. Gentlemen whose wives are taking in washing will now be wanting to know where the rest of the money goes.

The Princess of Wales is reported to be jealous of her mother-in-law and mad at the king. Some people can never get too high to exhibit these little failings that seem to be but natural parts of the human equipment.

If you find your wife, in the middle of that spring feeling, meditatively looking over your thin underwear, quietly but firmly hang up in some prominent place the good old motto, "Stick to your flannels till your flannels stick to you."

"The Letters of a Self-Made Man's Wife to Her Son" have now been put in book form. Next we shall have "The Letters of a Self-Made Man's Mother-in-Law to Her Uncle," and after that perhaps "The Letters of a Self-Made Man's Grandfather to the Hired Girl."

Prof. Barrett Wendell says the Americans are the most idealistic people on earth. Unfortunately, however, there are a good many things that make it pretty hard for us to achieve our ideals.

STATE NEWS

THE LEGISLATURE WILL ATTEND TO POLITICAL MATTERS NEXT WEEK.

THE OPENING OF NAVIGATION SEEMS NEAR AT HAND JUST NOW.

NO MONTE CARLO WOULD BE TOLERATED IN THE UPPER PENISULA.

The legislature will probably take an adjournment next Friday until Tuesday evening at least. Monday is election day, and hence the desire to get home. Neither house is likely to go on record on a primary reform issue until after election. There is talk among members o. the committee of blending the Double-Ivory bill and the new Dickinson bill in a way that would make it possible for the governor and lieutenant governor, by party option, to be nominated by direct vote. The committee is nearly evenly divided. If the Ivory-Double bill is first on a vote, it will pass, and the present temper of the house is such that, impatient of delay and quarrel, it might pass any other bill if it was placed on passage before the administration bill. Therefore, a committee meeting with only part of the members present would be a bad thing for the bill favored by the absent members.

The Ice Going.

The reports from the regular and display stations of the weather bureau indicate that the ice fields have decreased rapidly in all the lakes. In Superior the ice field is confined to the extreme western end, extending out about 15 miles; the fields have moved off shore at Keweenaw point and open water is reported as far east as Whitefish point; the ice in Whitefish bay is softening rapidly. In St. Mary's river the ice is decreasing rapidly, and 10 days of warm weather will open it. In Lake Michigan the ice fields have practically disappeared over the southern portion, and no ice reported as far north as Frankfort. At the straits the ice has softened under the influence of warm weather and rain, but extends east and west beyond vision. In Lake Huron the ice fields have moved off shore, except off Oscoda, and but little was reported in sight at close of week. The rivers are reported open from Lake Huron to Erie. In Erie the fields have broken up over the western portion and moved out into the lake. Some ice is reported off Bar point, over eastern portion the ice fields are intact, but softening rapidly, and much open water appearing. In Ontario the ice fields are now confined mostly to the eastern half of the lake.

Gambling Won't Go.

The story that Chicago and upper peninsula capitalists are planning to open a summer resort to be conducted on lines similar to those of Monte Carlo, the site of the proposed enterprise to be an abandoned village near Dollar bay, Houghton county, gambling to be conducted openly only on a large scale, and the place made attractive with theaters and amusement halls, seems flshy for the reason that there is no available village, deserted or otherwise, near Dollar bay, which could be used for the purpose aleged, and in Houghton county gambling of whatever nature is strictly tabooed. Nobody in the copper country knows anything of the alleged scheme. It is believed that possibly the deserted village meant is one in Keweenaw county, to the north of Houghton county, but even there an undertaking of the kind would not be permitted.

Stanley Turner Dead.

Stanley W. Turner, well known in Michigan politics, died Sunday morning in his apartments at the Wayne hotel, Detroit. He was 62 years old and had failed in health since the death of his wife, two years ago. The immediate cause of death was a cancerous affection of the colon, although he suffered from a complication of diseases contracted while a military prisoner during the war. He passed his last days in seclusion in the Wayne, and the companion of his solitude was his son, Harry, who was with him at the last, although neither father nor son realized that death was approaching.

The Soo Wins.

In an opinion handed down Friday, Judge Wanty practically puts a quietus on the suit of the United States of America against the city of Sault Ste. Marie. The court in his opinion, sustains the demurrer of the defendant on a point that precludes further prosecution.

The case was brought to recover damages for the destruction by fire of the United States barracks at the Soo, the united States government having entered into a contract with the Soo that provided for adequate fire protection for the barracks. The judge holds that the city had no power to enter into such a contract.

The Fourth Death.

Irving Bennett, the fireman who was burned and scalded in the collision on the Ann Arbor railroad near Mesick a week ago, died Sunday morning, making the list of dead now four. Two others who were injured are in a critical condition. Engineer Albert Veit, whose alleged disobedience of rules is said to have caused the wreck, is so near death that he has not been told of the serious results of the collision. He has no recollection of the disaster.

Eighty bombs were found hidden in a grave near Warsaw.

The report of the G. R. & I. system, including all its branches, shows the gross earnings for 1904 to have been $4,149,727.35, a slight decrease from the earnings of 1903.

Frank Plass, of Grand Rapids, advertising solicitor for the Automobile News, that existed only on stationery and checks, is wanted for swindling business here by passing worthless checks. He established an account at the National City with less than $100, giving checks on his account. Small checks on his account were readily honored and the persons who took them accepted larger ones that were worthless.

STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

Commencing August 1, the National Meat Dealers' association will hold a convention in Grand Rapids.

Daniel McAlley, of Fife Lake, was granted a divorce by the circuit court. His wife deserted him 24 years ago.

The Lawton postoffice was burglarized Sunday night, but less than $25 was secured. The thieves failed to open the safe.

Charles Hoven, a farmer residing near Three Oaks, finding his wheat crop ruined, committed suicide by hanging himself.

The Exchange bank, of Midland, a private institution, has closed its doors, but it is claimed there are plenty of assets, so that every depositor will be paid in full.

Gov. Warner has issued a requisition on the governor of Pennsylvania for Thomas Mowee, wanted in Ingham, where he broke jail after having been sentenced to 14 years for forgery.

Gerrit Reinvelt, of Grand Rapids, who got a splinter in his eye four weeks ago and did not secure medical treatment for it, had to have the member removed. It had literally rotted away.

J. P. Moran, one of the best known horsemen in western Michigan, lies in a critical condition from drinking a chloride given him by his wife, who supposed it to be a mineral water that stood near.

Roy Fuller saw clothing sticking out of the snow one mile north of Shelby, and investigation revealed the body of Mrs. Lucinda Martin, aged 80 years, who had been missing since February 2.

Because they would not vacate a school building they had engaged for the school board at Clear Lake near Lapeer two Mormon elders were treated to a liberal application of spoiled eggs.

Michael Brennan, a Russian Jew, who just died at Harbor Beach, suffered heavily by confiscation and wanted to live to see Russia in ruins. He was personally acquainted with Gen. Kuropatkin.

The Oakland hotel property at St. Clair was bid in at auction by Walter S. Harsha for $100,000. It is said he was acting for one of the trustees, and the hotel will be opened and run as usual this coming summer.

Night Watchman William Henderson was found raving in front of the boilers at the Cadillac handle factory. He had been a sufferer from heart failure for several years. He leaves a widow and family.

Gov. Fred M. Warner has just secured his ninth cheese factory, having bought the Powers cheese factory, about two miles east of Northville. This factory was founded by the late A. B. Powers, 30 or 40 years ago.

The choicest potatoes that Oceana county can produce are selling in Hart at 10 cents per bushel, which is considered a good price when compared with the panic of 1893-5, when potatoes sold at 3 cents a bushel.

Two hundred and twenty-five gallons of water per day were used by each man, woman and child in the city during the past fiscal year, according to the annual report of the superintendent of the city water works at Marquette.

The new military board has determined that it is necessary that every member of the Michigan National Guard should have an extra cotton service uniform during the coming season, and the requisition will soon be made for the outfits.

John Norris, Yale graduate, globe trotter and veteran of three wars, dreamed his friend Grand Rapids lawyer had been buried alive, and decided to end the agony by choking himself to death. He is nursing severe wounds inflicted by his own fingers.

The supreme court has affirmed the judgment for $2,000 granted John W. Wilson against the Royal Neighbors of America, who had issued a certificate of insurance to his wife. The organization attempted to allow that the certificate had been issued under misrepresentation.

The dead body of a man was taken from the river in Bay City that appeared to have been in the water two months. It is supposed to have floated down from Saginaw. There were no marks of violence on the body, and nothing to identify it. The man was apparently 40 years old.

There are on the roll of the agricultural college 100 more students than there were last year, and sleeping quarters are inadequate, as well as class rooms, and unless the legislature makes the appropriation asked for new buildings, many students will be refused admission next fall.

"All I want is to see my babies for a moment," was what Sherman Hulbert, a trusty at Ionia prison, said as he walked into the hands of his officer at his home in Belding, after he had slipped away from the prison. He was allowed to visit with his wife and babies a short time, and then taken back to the prison.

The secretary of state reports that during the year 1904 there were 2,808 divorces granted in the state. Kent county judges granted 242 divorces and Lucse of Wayne county gave out 454. In Washtenaw 39 were granted, in Oakland 53, Berrien 82, Branch 41, Calhoun 39, Cass 40, Ingham 41, Ionia 61, Montcalm 45, Shiawassee 68. Only 33 divorces were denied.

The Franklin trammers are out on a strike, demanding an increase of 10 per cent. Seventy hundred are affected by the strike, the miners also being forced out, and the superintendent states that the demand cannot be met.

Frank De Jong, aged 23, prominent Holland-American citizen, died in Muskegon Sunday. Mr. De Jong was to be married April 13 and his prospective bride-to-be was a constant attendant at his bedside. The wedding was engaged for four years and had their home furnished, invitation cards printed, and the bride had bought her trousseau. She is deeply affected by De Jong's death and is in a critical condition.

J. Cilley, of Grand Rapids, and an eastern promoter have a scheme on foot, by which they propose to supply Lake Michigan water to several cities on the east shore of the lake.

Mrs. Albert Wedarak, of Grand Rapids, was driven mad by fright as the result of a nightmare. The woman is 35 years of age and has seven children. She awakened her husband about midnight and began to tell him of a horrible dream, and in the midst of the story she was taken violently insane. She is confined in the county jail for safe-keeping. One of the priests of the Polish Catholic church was attacked by the woman today in jail and only the intervention of two deputy sheriffs prevented him suffering serious injury at her hands. Her husband has made application to have her sent to the asylum.

THE DAWN OF PEACE NEWS

The change in Emperor Nicholas's attitude concerning the advisability of making a pacific proposal to Japan is fully confirmed and in very high quarters peace within six weeks is regarded as certain. The positiveness with which this is affirmed would indicate that the government is already in possession of information as to the Japanese terms, which indicate a basis to which Russia can agree.

ADMIRAL TOGO'S PROBABLE FIELD OF ACTION.

How the third Russian fleet will join Admiral Rojestvensky's command, and alternative routes which the Japanese admiral must watch in order to intercept the combined fleet on its way to the northeast. Port Said, where the third Russian fleet, under Rear Admiral Niebogatoff, lies at present, is shown on the map by a dot inclosed in circle. Cross shows where Admiral Rojestvensky's fleet is anchored and star indicates Singapore, the point near which Admiral Togo's ships are said to be maneuvering. Dotted line shows route to be taken by the third Russian fleet and lines headed by arrows indicate the three routes, one of which the Russian warships will take upon leaving the Indian ocean.

CZAR SEEKS PEACE.

Peace Party, Comprising Nearly All His Ministers, Have Won Him Over.

The ministers and supporters of the court who advocate the submission of pacific proposals to Japan as previously set forth in these dispatches so as to ascertain whether an honorable basis of peace is possible, believe they have carried the day, and The Associated Press hears on high authority that an actual step is imminent, if not already taken.

All the members of the czar's cabinet except the ministers of war and marine, it is now reported, are urging the emperor to arrange peace with Japan. It has been definitely decided that peace negotiations, when made, will be conducted with France as the intermediary. Either Paris or Tokio will be the scene.

The Russian government is firm on the points of indemnity or cession of land, and it is believed that Japan may not insist on these.

The treaty provisions generally admitted as probable are the ceding of Port Arthur to Japan, Russia abandonment of Manchuria, Japanese protectorate over Korea, and the sale of the railroad from Harbin to Port Arthur, Japan to get the proceeds, and the new owners to run the road on an international basis.

No Naval Battle Yet.

Although public interest in the war has suddenly been transferred from the battlefield in Manchuria to the Indian ocean by the possibility of a great naval conflict between Admiral Rojestvensky and Admiral Togo, and despite reports that scouting vessels have already been engaged near the island of Mauritius, the admiralty declines to display any excitement. It can be asserted, however, that the report that Rojestvensky is awaiting Admiral Nebogatoff's division to strengthen his squadron is incorrect. The vessels of Nebogatoff's division are not of the same type or speed as Rojestvensky's and are only intended to trail behind as a convoy to protect the fleet of colliers.

Foxy Oyama.

While there is an absolute dearth of official news from Manchuria, there is a growing impression in Tokio that Feld Marshal Oyama is almost ready to spring another trap which will result in the capture of the entire Russian army. There is reason to believe that before the end of the month Oyama's armies will be at least equal in effective strength to what they were before the fighting began below Mukden.

Ellis Island Swamped.

The big rush of immigration has almost swamped the government officials at Ellis island. In the last three days 16,000 immigrants have reached port. The rush will increase in April and May, and it is feared that Ellis island will be taxed beyond its capacity.

The sultan of Morocco has honored the bandit Raisuli, as an opulent sequel to the Perdicaris case, by appointing him governor over a number of important tribes between Tangier and Fez.

Sawdust is now used by some Paris restaurants, the Gaulios says, as a dressing for cutlets, instead of bread crumbs. It costs only 30 cents a sack.

President Roosevelt inherits $30,000 from the estate of the late James K. Gracie, an uncle.

In a pit on the south shore of Silver lake Ohio, George Lodge, of Akron, found 28 large billets of molten silver, weighing over a ton in all. It is believed the treasure was hidden there by a party of Indians just before the famous battle of Tippecanoe.

Dead in the ice on Lake Mendota, Wisconsin, the bodies of Wilfred Bondi, aged 3, and Frazier McGowan, a year older, were found by Angus McGowan, Frazier's father. The boys had attempted to cross the ice on sleds.

Every witness who testifies in the "beef trust" investigation before the special grand jury at Chicago, will be closely guarded by secret service men imported by the federal authorities for the purpose.

The French minister at Fez is negotiating for the liberation of Count de Segonzac, who, while investigating commercial conditions in Morocco, was captured by Sheik Soultanas and held for ransom.

James Rahill, New York, crazy drunk, threw his 6-year-old son from a fourth story window, inflicting horrible and fatal injuries.

LATE NEWS

CASSIE CHADWICK TAKES A SENTENCE OF TEN YEARS VERY CALMLY.

PEACE FOR TWO YEARS AND THE FILIPINOS MAY GOVERN THEMSELVES.

ROSSEAU'S STORY OF THE BLOWING UP OF THE MAINE IN HAVANA.

Cassie Gets Ten Years.

After denying the motion for a new trial in the Chadwick case, Judge Tayler sentenced Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick to 10 years in the Ohio penitentiary. The sentence was on six of the seven counts on which she was convicted; on four counts she got two years each, and two one year each. Good behavior will reduce the term of imprisonment to eight years and four months. Mrs. Chadwick had nothing to say before sentence was imposed and seemed to have resigned herself to any action that might be taken. She showed no signs of being affected by the sentence. By agreement there will be no hurry to send her to the penitentiary, counsel being allowed the defense to appeal to the supreme court.

Philippine Government.

Gov. General Wright has issued a proclamation announcing that the census of the Philippines has been completed and that in two years, provided peace prevails, an election will be called for a general assembly of Filipinos. This election will be called by President Roosevelt. All legislative power in the islands will thereafter be vested in a legislature consisting of two houses, the Philippine commission and the Philippine assembly. The peace conditions upon which the election is to be called extends to all the islands except the Moros or other non-Christian tribes. The popular election is not to extend to the Moro tribes. Two resident commissioners to the United States will be elected when a legislature is chosen.

Destroyer of the Maine.

That the battleship Maine through an error was destroyed by a bomb of his manufacture, is the statement made by Gessler Rosseau in the Tombs prison, New York. Rosseau was convicted Monday of having sent explosives to the Spanish Paper in May, 1903. He says he made and supplied Cuban patriots with bombs to blow up Spanish ships and that the man who had been intrusted with the task of destroying a Spanish vessel attempted to fasten a box during the night to one of Alfonso's war ships and blundered into blowing up the Maine. He was told that the man, immediately after learning of the error he had made, committed suicide. Rosseau said that he had attempted to blow up the statue of Frederick the Great in Washington because he did not wish to see the statute of a king in America. He added that he was not an anarchist or a nihilist, and that he had made no effort to supply exploding machines to the Russians.

Others Must Do the Work.

Private advices received in Chicago from friends of Secretary of State John Hay indicate more fully than recent press dispatches that the distinguished American, now on his way to Europe, has no expectation of ever resuming his official duties and that he feels his physical condition to be quite serious. Three personal letters to Chicagoans, one from the secretary himself and two from close personal friends of his, show this. "I need a long, long rest," he himself wrote to an old-time acquaintance here. "And I must have it even at the cost of many ambitions for the work I have under way. I am very tired and not well; the springs of youth are not what they once were; some one else must go on with what has been start and during my time here."

Mrs. Reader Again.

Diplomats here are greatly interested in the report that Mrs. Athole B. Reader is expected to visit the national capital this week. It is hinted that she has a mass of evidence of the alleged plot in Santo Domingo still unrevealed, and it is quite likely that she will divulge at least a part of it in the near future. There are hints of startling revelations, but no one can be found who will believe that any of the members of the administration are even remotely connected with them. Among the things in Mrs. Reader's possession is said to be a great mass of correspondence relating to the Santo Domingo affair. These letters, the woman's friends declare, will show to the world that her claims have from the very first been founded on indisputable facts.

No Shirt is the name of an Umatilla Indian chief who has come all the way from Oregon to Washington in connection with the land fraud investigation in that state.

Religious fervor has extended to Dixon, Ill. Dancing clubs have disbanded and three bartenders are among the 2,000 converts.

Less than twenty-four hours after his marriage to Miss Minerva Fuqua, Ernest W. Dubbert, of Ottumwa, Ia., unaccountably killed himself with carbolic acid, dying in the arms of his bride.

Infant mortality is reported to be greater in Prussia than in any country except Russia. The deaths the first year are 16.7 per cent in Sweden, 15 in France and 23.6 in Prussia.

The German army and ammunition factory is said to be making Russian guns and shipping them to Moscow, and the Berlin Vorwaerts calls Chancellor Von Buelow's attention to what it alleges is a breach of neutrality.

Pittsburg is going to lose Henry Clay Frick, the steel magnate. He has leased the George W. Vanderbilt mansion in Fifth avenue, New York, and will move with his family in the fall.

Klathio Harjo, a Seminole Indian, said to have been the oldest Indian in America, has just died at Shawnee, Okla., at the age of 110. He fought against this country in the war of 1812, as well as in the Seminole wars.

Charley Doughton, of Maine, has been arrested and fined in Baltimore, Md., for falling in love with and trying to marry a negress.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

South Africa exports about $26,000,000 worth of diamonds to London every year.

The Belgians are the greatest potato eaters in the world, and the Irish come second.

Mexico goes on a gold basis May 1. The mint will be closed April 16 to the free coinage of silver.

Because the street cars of Sheboygan, Wis., were not provided with fenders, Mayor Born has tied up the entire system.

"I bequeath to the Paris School of Anthropology my head, face, skull and brains, and more if necessary," says the will of Andre Lefevre.

Charles M. Schwab has sailed for Europe. It is reported he is en route to St. Petersburg to negotiate the building of warships for Russia.

Henry Wallace, a son of the late Gen. Lew Wallace, has offered "Water Bubble," the general's country place in Indiana, to the government for a fish hatchery.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

The Stone primary bill was before the house for three hours Wednesday and after a lively scrap was referred back to the committee on elections by a vote of 52 to 41, not a happy augury for the amendment of the bill, or that anything further will be done with it. The bill was reported out three weeks ago and came up as a special order. It was claimed that so many imperfections were lodged in the bill that the measure would be of doubtful value, even if the doubt as to the constitutionality of the clause providing that the bill should be submitted to the people before becoming a law, were dispelled. It was urged that the Republican platform adopted under strenuous conditions at Grand Rapids did not propose to go so far as the bill proposed and that a bill for local option should take its place. The situation is this: The house as constituted is against direct nominations for all state candidates and United States senators and such a bill properly framed would not pass. The time is slipping away and the preparation of a bill that will satisfy the administration and pass will be a work of several weeks, in fact the April elections will pass into history before definite action is taken. During the debate Representative Galbraith, who had made the motion to refer the bill back, said: "We are breaking no party pledges. Let us consider all the bills introduced on this subject and not rush blindly into indiscreet legislation."

Representative Holmes asked what Galbraith proposed to do with the Stone bill and the answer dealt in generalities.

"I see the gentleman from Calumet doesn't want to answer the question," said Holmes.

"Let me interrupt," shouted Galbraith. "I may say that those who are pledged to the Republican platform are pledged to kill this particular bill," and the whole scheme was laid bare.

Attempt to Wreck a Train.

Ann Arbor passenger train No. 3, northbound, due here at 7:10 p. m., successfully withstood an attempt to wreck it this evening at a point one mile south of Corunna. The train, under charge of Conductor Melvin Bright and Engineer Michael Purcell, was bowling along at a good rate of speed, when it struck a heavy timber which had been laid across the track. The front of the pilot was shattered and a piece of the timber lodged under the train, which was not derailed. The air pipes were broken and the train was brought to Owosso after temporary repairs had been made under hand brakes. The affair came skirmished about the place of the crime, but failed to find any trace of the miscreant.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—The cattle market has not been brisk, prices being about the same as last week. 10c to 15c lower was paid for common stuff, the close ranging at these figures: Light to fair butchers, cows and feeders brought fair prices from country purchasers. Common cow stuff of all kinds sold very poorly, milch cows and springers being dull and $3 to $5 lower than they were last week. Scarcely anything brought $40 and the common kinds were not wanted at any price. A few extra veal calves brought $6.50 per hundred, but the bulk of sales were below $6 per hundred and lower than they were a week ago. Hogs: Quality poor, market 10@15c higher than last week; light to good butchers, $5.15@5.20; pigs, $5.20@5; light yorkers, $5.15@5.20; roughs, $4.75@4.50. Sheep: Best grades sold at $7.75. At the close sheep were 25c lower than last week. Clipped lambs, $6@6.25.

Chicago—Good to prime steers, $5.15@6.25; poor to medium, $3@5; stockers and feeders, $2.60@4.75; cows, $2.50@4.50; heifers, $2@6; canners, $1.50@2.40; bulls, $2.50@4; calves, $5@7. Hogs: Mixed and butchers, $5.15@5.35; good to choice heavy, $5.25@5.37½; rough heavy, $5.10@5.25; light, $5.10@5.25; bulk of sales at $5.10@5.30.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $5.75@6.30; fair to choice mixed, $5@5.40; western sheep, $5@6.30; fair to choice native lambs, $5.50@7.65; western lambs, $6.40@7.65.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Subjoined are prices in this market were as follows: Wheat—No. 2 red spot and May, $1.12; July, 10,000 bu at 94¼c. 5,000 bu at 94½c; No. 3 red, 10,000 bu at 93¾c; No. 3 red, $1.07; No. 1 white, $1.12 asked.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 1 car at 59c; No. 3 yellow, nominal at 51c per bu.

Oats—No. 3 white, 500 bu nominal at 33¾c; to come in, 6 cars at 33½c; May, 14¼c bu.

Rye—No. 2 spot, nominal at 87c bu.

Clover—Prime spot, 250 bags at $7.85; April, $7.75; No. 2, 100 bags at $7.70; by sample, 40 bags at $7.50, 40 at $7.25 per bu; prime alsike, 10 bags at $7.60; No. 2, 10 bags at $7.50; by sample, 10 bags at $7.25 per bu.

Timothy seed—Prime spot, 50 bags at $1.85 per bu.

Barley—Sales today included 3 cars at 95c, 1 car at 96c, and 1 car at 98c per central.

Beans—March, $1.71; May, 2 cars at $1.79; June, $1.80 bid; July, $1.84 nominal.

Chicago—Cash quotations follow: Wheat—No. 2 spring, $1.08@1.12; No. 3, $1.02@1.12; No. 2 red, $1.15@1.17½.

Corn—No. 2, 47½c; No. 2 yellow, 48c.

Oats—No. 2, 36½c; No. 2 white, 32½@33½c; No. 3 white, 30¼@32c.

Rye—No. 2, 74@76c.

Barley—Good feeding, 38@40c; fair to choice malting, 43@47c.

Flaxseed—Cash, $1.17; No. 1 northwestern, $1.37.

Clover—Contract grade, $12.35.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

Week Ending April 1.

DETROIT OPERA HOUSE—"Ben-Hur."
LYCEUM THEATRE—"The Sunshine of War."—mat. Wed and Sat. Eve. 75c, 25c, 50c, 75c.
LYRIC THEATRE—"The Lion Tamer" The Byron Douglas Company. "The New Magdalen."
WHITNEY THEATRE—A Prisoner of War.
GAYETY—Burlesque.
TEMPLE THEATRE AND WONDERLAND—Afternoon 2:15, Evenings 8:15 Prices 10, 15, 20 & 25.
AVENUE THEATRE—Vaudeville. Afternoons 15 to 50, and 50c. Evenings, 25, 35, 50 and 75.

A Boy and a String.

Ernest Stanford, aged 11, of Battle Creek, met with probably fatal injuries as the result of the proverbial habit of a boy to always carry a piece of string in his pocket. At the end of the string caught in the shafting at the plant where the boy's father, William Stanford, is employed. As the rest of the string was in the boy's pocket, he was pulled into the shafting, carried upward and beaten against the ceiling several minutes before the power was shut off. The boy's legs were broken and his skull apparently fractured. His recovery is doubtful.

Langtry a Grandma.

A son has been born to Mrs. Ian Malcolm, wife of a well known member of parliament from Scotland, and daughter of Mrs. Lily Langtry. It is said Mrs. Langtry and her daughter have been estranged since the latter's marriage.

Marshal Wm. Windle, of Barden, O., who was shot through the brain while arresting James Cranthorn, three weeks ago, apparently is as well as ever, although he carries in his head the bullet the surgeons declined to remove.